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TOP NEWS



ARREST MADE IN IOWA CASE

Man living in U.S. illegally told police he abducted, killed Iowa student. **A2**

Russian hacks not going away
Microsoft has uncovered efforts ahead of this fall's elections. **A4**

U.S. deports ex-Nazi guard
It ends a 14-year battle to have him sent back to Germany. **A3**

Trump in full campaign mode
President has an aggressive travel schedule planned for midterms. **A4**

Court nominee good with Roe
Brett Kavanaugh told U.S. Sen. Susan Collins that the law is "settled." **A4**

LOCAL NEWS

Developer sues St. Anthony
Suit accuses city of fraud for reopening a mobile home park. **B1**

Officers kicked off plane at MSP
One air marshal flashed a gun and was mistaken for a passenger. **B2**

SPORTS

Twins break out in the ninth
Three runs in the final frame secured 5-3 win over White Sox. **C1**

Peers honor Wolves rookies
Ogokie and Bates-Diop won awards at league event. **C3**

BUSINESS

Allina adds retail clinics
It's part of a broader plan to offer patients faster care. **D1**

VARIETY



Birds share in parental duties
They split up duties so as to increase their odds of a longer life. **E1**

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Wearing nothing but safety vests, two jet skiers were apprehended on Gull Lake near Brainerd. **C8**

Cohen pleads guilty, says Trump directed payoffs



MARY ALTAFFER • Associated Press

Michael Cohen left federal court in Manhattan on Tuesday after pleading guilty to campaign finance violations and other charges.

Manafort guilty on 8 fraud charges

By MATT ZAPOTOSKY, LYNH BUI, TOM JACKMAN and DEVLIN BARRETT
Washington Post

ALEXANDRIA, VA. — A jury found former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort guilty Tuesday on tax and bank fraud charges — a major if not complete victory for special counsel Robert Mueller as he continues to investigate the president's associates.

The jury convicted Manafort on eight of the 18 counts against him and said it was deadlocked on the other 10. U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis declared a mis-

trial on those charges.

Wearing a black suit, Manafort stood impassively, his hands folded in front of him, and showed little reaction as the clerk read the word "guilty" eight separate times. As through most of the three-week trial, Manafort showed no emotion as he looked at the six women and six men who convicted him.

President Donald Trump reacted to the verdict by denouncing Mueller's investigation. "Paul Manafort's a good man," Trump told reporters in West Virginia. The verdict, he said, "doesn't involve me but I

still feel, you know, it's a very sad thing that happened."

He pointed out that the charges in Manafort's case did not involve Mueller's core mission of investigating Russian interference in the 2016 election and whether any Americans conspired with those efforts. "This is a witch hunt that ends in disgrace," he said.

For Trump, the outcome of Manafort's trial was only half of a double-barreled blast of bad news Tuesday. Shortly after the verdict was read, the president's former longtime attorney Michael Cohen pleaded

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THE CHARGES
Manafort was convicted on five charges relating to filing false tax returns, one count of failing to report foreign bank accounts and two counts of bank fraud.

DOUBLE TROUBLE
Two cases strengthen Robert Mueller's hand. **A8**

Payments made to two women to influence the election, he said

By WILLIAM K. RASHBAUM, MAGGIE HABERMAN, BEN PROTESS and JIM RUTENBERG
New York Times

NEWYORK—Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump's former lawyer, made the extraordinary admission in court on Tuesday that Trump had directed him to arrange payments to two women during the 2016 campaign to keep them from speaking publicly about affairs they said they had with Trump.

Cohen acknowledged the illegal payments while pleading guilty to breaking campaign finance laws and other charges, a litany of crimes that revealed both his shadowy involvement in Trump's circle and his own corrupt business dealings.

He told a judge in U.S. District Court in Manhattan that the payments to the women were made "in coordination with and at the direction of a candidate for federal office."

"I participated in this conduct, which on my part took place in Manhattan, for the principal purpose of influencing the election" for president in 2016, Cohen said.

The plea represented a pivotal moment in the investigation into the president, and the scene in the Manhattan courtroom was remarkable. Cohen, a longtime lawyer for Trump — and loyal confidant — described in plain-spoken language how Trump worked with him to cover up a potential sex scandal that Trump feared would endanger his rising candidacy.

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This winter might drift from wild to mild side

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After being walloped with a relentless winter last season, Minnesotans could be in for a reprieve.

A milder and drier season is upon us after the long, record-breaking snowy winter, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac predictions out this week.

"Winter has not been canceled," said local meteorologist Paul Douglas. "But the odds for a gentle, kinder winter have gone up. ... Hopefully, this can cheer you up a little."

The almanac announced its yearly winter predictions calling for above-normal temperatures almost everywhere in the United States, except for the Southwest where it's expected to be colder than normal.

What's behind this milder prediction? The expected arrival of a weak El Niño warming pattern.

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State report tackles affordable housing crisis

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Minnesota needs to build thousands of extra homes per year to alleviate an affordable housing crunch, a problem state officials hope to tackle with a long list of possible solutions.

The scope of the crisis was laid out Tuesday by members of a task force, created by Gov.

Mark Dayton last year, that presented a menu of 30 ideas that address the gap between the cost of housing and what Minnesotans can afford. The suggestions included additional state and local funding, reconsideration of government regulations, ways to grow the local construction industry, incentives for landlords and protection for tenants.

"This report is really a starting point," said Minnesota Housing Commissioner Mary Tingerthal. "It is a call to action."

Dayton acknowledged that there is not much he can do in his remaining months in office to tackle the issue, but said the report and its many recommendations could be a resource for his successor and

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KEY SUGGESTIONS

- Create a new, permanent state **funding source** for affordable housing.
- Offer incentives for apartment buyers to **keep rents low**.
- Evaluate regulations related to **building standards** and land use.
- **Add workers** in the building trades to meet demand.

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DFL challenger Dean Phillips, left, and Rep. Erik Paulsen greeted each other after Tuesday's sometimes heated

Paulsen, Phillips spar on immigration, health care

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U.S. Rep. Erik Paulsen and DFL challenger Dean Phillips clashed over health care, tax reform, immigration and other issues, trading barbs Tuesday in the first debate of their increasingly heated fight for a Minnesota House seat.

The debate at a St. Louis Park hotel quickly grew testy, with both candidates attacking

the other almost immediately.

Paulsen, a Republican, referenced Phillips' personal wealth when he said that people who are not millionaires should be able to run for Congress, while Phillips pressed Paulsen to reject campaign donations from interest groups and hit him for voting for most of President Donald Trump's agenda.

"I'll stand up to my own party," Paulsen said, whether

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